GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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RECRUITMENT OF GANGMEN
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a)the number of Gangmen working under the Railways for the maintenance of railway tracks;

(b)whether there is shortage of Gangmen in the Railways at present in comparison to the requirement; (

(c) if so, whether the Government are contemplating to recruit more Gangmen;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIST RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) 1.88 Lakh.

(b) to (e) For calculating the required gang strength for track maintenance work,

there is a definite formula. It is also reviewed from time to time to fall in line with changes in methods of track maintenance, track structure and other socio-economic factors. Gang strength is maintained as per the formula in each unit of work. The requirement of gangmen is reviewed every year to suit the yearly changes in structure due to modernization, gauge conversion, additions and alteration in yards etc. If there is shortage in gang strength on any Zonal Railway, the same is made good after a rigorous check at different levels. This is a continuous process.